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SUBJECT: HOST COUNTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY
INSURANCE

REF STATE 189095

1. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO
DEPARTMENT'S QUERY ON HOST COUNTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR AUTOMOBILE
LIABILITY INSURANCE. THE INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED FROM FOREIGN
MINISTRY AND INSURANCE COMPANY OFFICIALS.

A. THERE IS A MANDATORY LIABILITY INSURANCE APPLICABLE TO ALL
AUTOMOBILES REGISTERED IN THE DR.

B. MINIMUM COVERAGES AS FOLLOWS: RD\$2,000 PROPERTY DAMAGE;
DR\$3,000 BODILY INJURY; RD\$6,000 MAXIMUM FOR MORE THAN ONE INJURED
PERSON. PROFF OF INSURANCE COVERAGE MUST BE PRODUCED AT TIME
OF REGISTRATION OF VEHICLE. PERSONS FAILING TO COMPLY WITH LAW
ARE LIABLE TO ARREST (EXCEPT DIPLOMATS, WHO HAVE IMMUNITY) AND
FINE. IN PRACTICE, THIS REQUIREMENT IS NOT ENFORCED AGAINST
DIPLOMATS BUT EMBASSY'S INTERNAL PROCEDURES ENSURE COMPLIANCE
BY MEMBES OF US MISSION.

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C. NOT APPLICABLE.

D. POST REQUIRES ALL PERSONNEL TO CARRY, AT LEAST, MINIMUM AMOUNT
OF LIABILITY COVERAGE. REGISTRATION OF VEHICLE WILL NOT BE MADE
BY EMBASSY UNTIL PROOF OF COVERAGE PRODUCED BY OWNER OF VEHICLE.
CARD SYSTEM IS NOW INSTALLED TO ENSURE FOLLOW-UP ACTION WELL
AHEAD OF RENEWAL TIME. IN PRACTICE, MOST PERSONNEL CARRY MORE THAN

THE MINIMUM LOCAL INSURANCE COVERAGE.

E. YES. LOCAL LAW PROVIDES FOR DIRECT LEGAL ACTION AGAINST INSURERS.

F. NO. IN PROACTICE, INSURANCE COMPANIES DOE NOT DEFEND ON GROUNDS THAT INSURED HAS VIOLATED A CONTRACT TERM.

G. NOT APPLICABLE. IN FOREIGN OFFICE RECENT EXPERIENCE NO DIPLOMAT HAS WAIVED HIS/HER IMMUNITY FOR PURPOSES OF COOPERATING WITH INSURER IN DEFENSE.

H. THE SYSTEM CONSISTS OF GOING DIRECTLY TO INSURANCE COMPANIES, WHO TEND TO GIVE PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT TO DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS. HOST GOVERNMENT PROVIDES NO ASSISTANCE NOR IS IT REQUIRED.

I. PREMIUM RATES APPLICABLE TO DIPLOMATS ARE NEIGHER HIGHER NOR LOWER THAN PREVAILING RATES.

J. NO. INSURANCE CONTRACT WRITTEN FOR DIPLOMATS IS STANDARD CONTRACT.

K. NO HOST GOVERNMENT DOES NOT REQUIRE EMBASSIES OF INSURED DIPLOMATS TO WAIVE IMMUNITY IN ADVANCE.

L. NO WAIVER REQUIRED. SEE K.
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M. YES, ACCORDING TO FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS.

N. THERE IS NO SYSTEM BY WHICH PERSONS SUFFERING DAMAGE AT HANDS OF DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL RECEIVE COMPENSATION FROM HOST GOVERNMENT.
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